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(3) THE MADRAS IRRIGATION WORKS (CONSTRUCTION OF FIELD BOTHIES) BILL, 1959—cont.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: Sir, I move-

That the clause by clause consideration of the Madras Irrigation Works (Construction of Field Bothies) Bill, 1959, be postponed.

Sir, We have now to take up the clause by clause consideration of this Bill. We had a discussion both among the members who have given notice of amendments and others who are interested in the Bill. We have now come to the conclusion that the provisions of the Bill will have to be recast. So, in view of that, I request that the further consideration of the Bill may be postponed to the next Session.

The motion was put and carried.

MR. SPEAKER: We shall take it up at the next sitting.

(4) THE MADRAS BUILDINGS (LEASE AND RENT CONTROL) BILL, 1959 (L.A. BILL NO. 20 of 1959).

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : Sir, I move-

"That the concurrence of the Legislative Council be obtained for the setting up of a Joint Select Committee of both the Houses consisting of 27 members (18 members of the Legislative Assembly and nine members of the Legislative Council) to consider the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Bill, 1959 (L.A. Bill No. 20 of 1959), and that the following Members of the Legislative Assembly be selected to serve on such a Joint Select Committee."

I shall give the names of members at the end, Sir.

I gave an assurance to the House that I would bring in a consolidated Bill to replace the existing Act. I am really sorry that I had again to come up to the House for extending the life of the present Act for six months more till the Consolidated Bill which I am now moving is passed into an Act. While the provisions of the existing Act were examined to find out how best the difficulties in the working of the existing Act could be removed, it was discovered that the volume of work was very large. A great deal of case law that has accumulated had to be gone through and similar Acts in force in other States had to be studied. A thorough examination of all these has taken quite a lot of time. However, I assure the House that we have examined the entire position very carefully and that the Bill which is now being moved will satisfy the larger interests of the community as a whole.

I would now like to enumerate some of the important features of this Bill.